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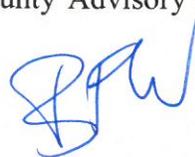
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MEMORANDUM**March 1, 2016**

To: Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and Interested Publics

From: Brian Wakeling, Administrator, Game Division 

Title: **License Simplification, Development of Harvest Management Guidelines, and America's Wildlife Value Questions – Informational**

Description: The Department will provide the Commission with a report on proposed license simplification, development of new harvest management guidelines, and the America's Wildlife Values Survey and questions.

Presenter: Secretary Wasley and Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling

Agenda No: 16 A, B, and C

Summary:

The Department will provide the Commission with an informational update on activities associated with (A) License Simplification, (B) Harvest Management Guidelines for Hunting Seasons in Nevada, and (C) America's Wildlife Value Survey and Questions.

License Simplification is an effort by the Department to identify needless complexity that exists within the current license structure while maintaining consistent revenue streams. The Commission will be provided with comparative data on work done to date and a description of the ongoing qualitative work using focus groups. Ultimately, results from this evaluation will be incorporated into potential recommended changes to NRS for consideration during the next legislative session.

The DRAFT Harvest Management Guidelines for Hunting Seasons in Nevada are being developed simultaneously but separately. A survey of hunters about their opinions and

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preferences is being prepared to solicit input, and another set of town hall meetings will be conducted to obtain additional feedback.

Additionally, the Department is working through WAFWA to participate in a broader survey to examine the perspectives held among varied publics within Nevada. The perspectives of Nevadans will be compared with a broader west-wide survey, but specific questions will be unique to Nevada.

The Commission is currently scheduled to receive a final briefing on the License Simplification in June 2016. To reduce any potential confusion, the Harvest Management Guidelines will be presented to the Commission at their August 2016 meeting. An updated timeline for the Harvest Management Guidelines will be presented to the Commission at the March 2016 Commission meeting.